

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indicated allowability of claims 1–24.

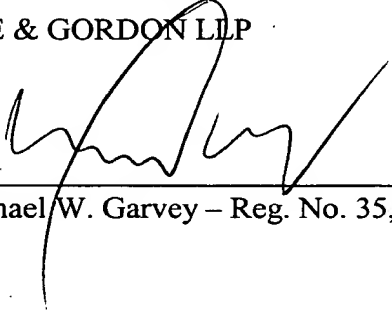
Claim 25 stands rejected as being anticipated by Stern. Claim 25 has been canceled.

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and notice to that effect is hereby requested. If it is determined that the application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to initiate a telephone interview with the undersigned attorney to expedite prosecution of the present application.

If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 16-0820, our Order No. 33714.

Respectfully submitted,

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